

1951 Annual Report of the Agricultural Service Board

Chairman: Councillor P. T. Smale, Health; Councillor, A. C. Arnold, Irma; Ratepayer, J. A. Bell, Chauvin; Ratepayer, D. H. Polkins, Chauvin; District Agriculturist, J. S. Robblee, Wainwright; Field Supervisor, F. W. Maddex, Wainwright; Secretary-Treasurer, Chas. Wilbraham, Wainwright.

A total of eight Board meetings were held during the year and many subjects concerning the welfare of ratepayers were discussed. From these meetings many new services were placed at the disposal of the public. Definite action was taken on many occasions. Some of the subjects discussed and action started were: 1. Revising of the Warble Fly Policy; 2. Definite steps to curb the unnecessary burning of stubble; 3. The Board went on record as being in favor of continuing an extended Bangs vaccination program rather than compulsory blood testing. They felt that at the present time, in a beef cattle district, immunity was most important; 4. The Board voiced their opinion that they were in favor of central seed cleaning plants, and that not less than two should be built in the Municipality. Due to the existing Toad Flax problem in a number of areas, the Board felt that rather than the farmers use the cleaning facilities in Commercial Grain elevators, which are not designed to clean grain for seed purposes, a large central plant built to Government specifications would be a great help. Since the ratepayers themselves would have to finance two thirds of the cost, the board felt a request for building should first come from the ratepayers; 5. The Board encouraged and had established the new Coyote Control Policy using cyanide guns (Coyote Getters). This policy is not designed to kill all coyotes which may be an asset to the district, but to destroy the coyote that has been known to prey on poultry, sheep, calves, etc. (Agricultural Pest 6); 6. The Board corresponded with the Dominion Dept. of Agriculture and other departments concerned and urged them to provide assistance to complete the TB tagging at the earliest date possible. They were advised that due to the shortage of Vets at the present time it would be impossible to give assistance. However, Dr. Saville is working from the Sask. border west in all his spare time; 7. The Board and your Supervisor go on record in expressing their appreciation to the ratepayers for the wonderful co-operation received under the Bangs control program. Approximately 4000 heifer calves were vaccinated during the 1950-51 season. The program ran very smoothly and no hitches encountered. The 1951-52 program up until Dec. 31 was running even smoother. Again we wish to thank you for your co-operation.

The activities for your Supervisor during the year 1951 were as follows:

Warble Fly Control

During the spring the power sprayer was put at the disposal of the ratepayers at a nominal charge of two cents per head to cover depreciation and maintenance. After four years of demonstrating warble control it was felt that if the farmers felt it was doing any good they could do their own spraying with the use of the MD machine, or form their own association and purchase a machine for the respective area. Due to the bad roads and season, the machine was very little. Your Supervisor advised the Council during the summer that a Warble Free Area could be established under the Pests Act.

Stubble Burning

Working under the authority of the Stubble Burning bylaw your Supervisor kept busy during the spring investigating stubble burning requests and issuing permits where necessary. Due to the late spring far more permits were issued than normal, but it was felt that some farmers just had to burn in order to get some crop in. However, the Board and Council felt that a great deal of good was done by having such a bylaw.

Summer Activities

Weed control with local weed

inspectors is routine for the months of June, July, August and Sept. This past summer we had six active weed inspectors in the field. Their job was to cover the district from farm to farm and check infestations and seed that proper control measures are practiced. I am happy to report that each year there are fewer weed notices being placed. In fact the control measures practiced by the farmers are improving each year.

Your Supervisor kept himself busy going from weed inspector to weed inspector checking on complaints. Also I had an area to inspect myself. With the spread of Toad Flax increasing each year there is little time left for anything else but check on Toad Flax infestations. I treated Toad Flax on the roadsides as long as there was enough Chlorate available and then directed a man to cut the rest with a scythe. The shortage of chlorate last summer interfered with the program and consequently many patches of Toad Flax went untreated, as well as the other bad weed infestations. At the time of writing however, there are 100 drums of chlorate available for the 1952 season. There were less "Stop Seeding" notices placed last season than any other year, this is an indication better weed control is being practiced. As I have said many times in previous reports that the farmer practicing proper and utilization has little or no weed problems. However, roadsides are still a definite problem.

Toad Flax is our worst weed problem in the MD of Wainwright. The farmers are co-operating very well with the Board in trying to keep the spread to a minimum. Two meetings were held during the season with the authorities from Sask. to try to reach a solution to the problem. Nothing definite has been decided yet. Chemical control alone has been too expensive, and straight summerfallow too dangerous. However, from previous experience a combination of summerfallow and Fall Rye have given fair results with a follow-up of chemical to kill out the small existing patches. We are fortunate here that there are only a few farms where Toad Flax is to be controlled, full co-operation between the farmers and the Board is very necessary.

Fall and Winter Activities

Your supervisor had a fairly full schedule during the fall and winter months. It has been my practice to take charge of all the organization for Bangs control, both for Vaccination and Blood testing. I made it a practice travel with the Yets as much as possible. In this way I made personal contact with each farmer on his farm. I was able to discuss subjects other than Bangs if he wished. Besides Bangs work I had a Film Board Schedule in the evenings and made personal contact with many farmers that it was impossible to meet during the summer. Your Supervisor is required to hold as many meetings as possible during the year, and the Film Board served this purpose very well.

As this will be the last report I will be requested to give for some time I wish to take this opportunity in summing up to thank you one and all for the grand way in which I have been accepted as your Agricultural Field Supervisor during the past six and one half years. When I arrived here in the MD of Wainwright in June, 1946, I had no idea what I was expected to do, and very few people were able to suggest anything to help. But through the efforts of the Bd., your Council staff, and you as ratepayers we have built up a service you can't very well do without. I was young and inexperienced when I arrived, but my stay has taught me a lot that will be valuable experience which should assist me wherever I may go. If and when you get a new Supervisor, and he is able to offer you the same service that I have tried to, and can appreciate his position in the district as I have, he should be a great asset to the district. Above all I have learned to meet and get along with people. Once again, thank you for your ap-

JUNIOR RED CROSS ACHIEVEMENTS

The grades 6 and 7 of the Junior Red Cross have really given a good account of themselves this past fall and winter. They are very grateful for help received from the general public and to Mr. Keffer who allowed them to sell pop corn at the shows. Here is a list of their achievements:

Money from calendars sold \$9.35. This money goes to Crippled Children's hospital.

With the money made by selling pop corn a blanket was purchased for the Health Room at the Irma School and \$20.00 was sent to Calgary for Overseas Relief.

Well done, Junior Red Cross.

Southern Sayings

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reber of Hardisty were visitors at the home of R. Reber and family.

The next W.I. meeting will be at Mrs. P. Spooner's Feb. 21. Roll call, A. Proverb, Hostesses, Mrs. Art Long and Mrs. R. Reber.

Mr. J. Jackson left this week for FUA meetings at Minburn, Innisfree and other points.

Don't forget the Leap Year dance and card party at Strawberry Plain school on February 29.

Mrs. Roy Reber was a visitor to the city last week with her daughter Audrey and an aunt, Mrs. H. Jones, whom she left in the hospital on her return home.

Deepest sympathy of the district goes to Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Goodrich (nee Winnie Hearn) on the death of their youngest son on Feb. 5. Also to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hearn.

Glen-Coa Gleanings

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Nilson are on a month's vacation to the coast. Oren Spring is looking after the farm in their absence.

Orville Likness drove to Edmonton last week-end with Orville Olson to take in the Ice Cycles. Both Orvilles agree they had an enjoyable holiday.

Gordon Hollinger was another one who attended the Ice Cycles.

Sharon Luther League plans a special meeting for next Saturday evening. Pastor Precht of Viking here, asked to be guest speaker. A social will follow the devotional part of the program.

Sharon Ladies Aid will meet at Mrs. M. Reitan's on Feb. 21.

The long week-end brought the College girls home for a visit.

Quite a few have been sick with severe colds and flu in our community.

We are running out of superlatives but not of enthusiasm over our long spell of fine weather. (Not original, but we agree with this statement).

Easterly Echoes

Mr. and Mrs. M. MacMillan of Edmonton visited at the home of their son, Mr. Nell MacMillan.

Miss Francis Patterson of Edmonton spent the week-end with Miss Joy Enger at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Enger.

Mr. M. H. Younker has been a patient in the Viking hospital.

Mrs. S. Fenton and Mrs. G. Fischer are curling with the picked rink from Irma in the elimination contest in Wainwright, the winning rink of which will curl for the Lady Eaton trophy in Edmonton.

Mrs. C. Steele and Mrs. Geo. Likness are patients in Wainwright hospital.

The Battle River W.I. will hold a sale of home cooking on the afternoon of Feb. 16 in the Irma Food Market.

preciation and assistance in making my job worthwhile.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. Maddex,
Agricultural Service Board,
MD of Wainwright, No. 61,
Wainwright, Alberta.

PUBLIC NOTICE

VILLAGE OF IRMA, ALBERTA BYLAW No. 181

A Bylaw of the Village of Irma, Alberta, for the purpose of authorizing the Council to sell certain land.

Pursuant to Section 224 of the Town and Village Act Chap. 150 R.S.A. 1942.

Whereas—It is considered desirable in the best interests of the ratepayers of the Village of Irma, Alberta.

That—The Council of the Village of Irma, Alberta, enacts as follows:

That the Council of the Village of Irma, Alberta, do and are hereby empowered to sell certain land to the Northwestern Utilities Ltd., having its head office in the City of Edmonton, Alberta, such land to be used as an operating base of the Company, for the sum of fifty dollars per acre (50). The Co. to assume all costs in connection with the transfer. Survey and registration of the said property. Such property being a part of all the portion of the SW Quarter of Section 34, Township 45, Range 9, West of the fourth meridian in the said Province of Alberta, bounded as follows:

On the west by the Western boundary of the said quarter section on the north by a line drawn parallel to and 726 feet perpendicularly distant northerly from the southern boundary of the said quarter section; on the east by a line drawn parallel to and 1320 feet perpendicularly distant easterly from the western boundary of the said quarter section; and on the south by a line drawn parallel to and 66 feet perpendicularly distant northerly from the southern boundary of the said quarter section; containing 20 acres more or less.

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And described as follows: The most westerly 300 feet of 20 acres located in the south west corner of section 34, township 45, range 9, West of the 4th meridian, being a parcel of land 200 feet in an east-west direction and 660 feet in north-south direction, containing 4.5 acres more or less.

Done and passed in open Council assembled at the Village of Irma, this 11th day of February, 1952. Passed first and second reading.

W. N. Frickleton

I, A. C. Charter, hereby certify that the above copy of Bylaw No. 181 of the Village of Irma is a true copy of the synopsis of Bylaw No. 181 and that on the 3rd day of March, 1952, voting on the proposed bylaw will take place in the office of the Village of Irma between the hours of 10 a.m. in the forenoon and 7 p.m. in the afternoon to approve or otherwise the said bylaw. Should the bylaw be approved by a two third majority of proprietary electors voting thereon the Council shall, within a period of four weeks, proceed to pass Bylaw No. 181 in its third and final reading.

15-22c A. C. Charter, R.O.

Church Services

IRMA ALLIANCE TABERNACLE
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George A. Hart, Pastor.

10:45 a.m. Sunday School
7:30 p.m. Evening service.
8 p.m. Wednesday. Prayer and Bible Study.

11:45 a.m. Morning Worship
"Christ died for our sins... and was buried... and rose again the third day according to the scriptures." 1. Corin. 15:3-4
A special welcome awaits you.

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, February 17

Irma Sunday School and Bible Class 11 a.m.

Worship Service 7:30 p.m.
If any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.

Luke 9:23

H. W. Inglis, Minister.

N. McMillan G.C. Winner Irma Open Bonspiel

In spite of the weatherman's attempt to kill it with kindness the men's open bonspiel came to a successful conclusion last Monday night. Under the able and seemingly tireless supervision of our president Mr. A. C. Milne, draws were arranged for the play to run smoothly and as far as possible to the satisfaction of all 32 rinks concerned.

The ladies club co-operated with good coffee, pie, hot dogs and cake at all hours and also displayed their best culinary skill for the banquet held at the school lunch room on Wednesday night. All visiting rinks were able to be present on this occasion.

When the last rink had been thrown and the dust of conflict cleared away, this is how the prizes were shared:

Grand Challenge

1. N. McMillan, J. MacKay, R. Burton, D. Burton, Prize, Pressure Cookers, donated by Curling club.

2. Bob Thunell, Leo Kelly, Bill Stalker, Spike Hafso, Prize, carving Sets, donated by Gas Co.

3. Loaders rink from Viking, Prize, Rock Trophy Butter Dishes, donated by Gratton View Hotel.

4. C. Smallwood, J. Burton, M. Fahner, M. Lovig, Prize, Silver Coffee Spoons, donated by Curling Club.

Citizens

1. Bob Thunell, Prize, Car Robes, donated by Byers Transport.

2. Alex Cairns, T. Hill, E. Jackson and G. Tomlinson, Prize, Travel Clocks, donated by Irma Curling Club.

3. Morrison rink from Hardisty, Prize, Curling Mug trophies, donated by Brewing Co.

4. S. Brown, W. Frickleton, O. Nilsson, J. C. Savard, Prize, Leather Wallets, donated by T. Eaton Co.

Consolation

1. E. Jones, A. Larson, A. Jones, E. Guy, Prize, Gallon Thermos bottles, donated by Curling Club.

2. Darrell Hockett, M. Frickleton, A. Durkes, K. Fischer, Prize, Silux Coffee Makers, donated by Curling Club.

3. L. Meier, S. Knowles, F. Drewicki, M. Mikkelson, Prize, Set of Dishes donated by Gregory Power.

4. H. Riley, K. Coffin, W. Lawson and C. Younker, Prize, Kitchen Stools, donated by Imperial Lumber Co.

Kinsella News

Visitors to Edmonton during the past week included Miss Shirley Carter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Simmons, Mrs. R. Cormack.

A number of relatives and friends were guests at the home of Mrs. J. Lancaster on Friday afternoon. Tea was served in honor of Mrs. Lancaster's birthday.

Miss Dorothy Hjesvold spent the week-end at her home here.

Fl. Lt. K. M. Elyofson of the RCAF who has recently been in the U.S.A. and is now stationed at North Bay, was visiting his sister, Mrs. J. Carter last week. He has just returned after a week's survival exercises in the Arctic Circle. While in Kinsella he gave a very interesting talk to some of the school children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McKie and family and Mrs. W. McKie and Jeanette spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bawden of Kinsella, Alta.

At the monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Miss Carol Garvie sang two solos, accompanying herself. This was very much appreciated.

CANADA LEADS THE WORLD

Oshawa, Ont. — Canada is the first, and still the only country in the world, to make extensive use of airplanes to transport first-class mail at ordinary postage rates. Deputy Postmaster General Walter J. Turnbull said here recently.

A rink from the Irma Ladies Curling Club went to Wainwright on Wednesday to play in the round robin to see which rink should represent this portion of Alberta in the playoffs for the Lady Eaton Trophy to be held in Edmonton. Irma ladies who played were Mrs. Sather, Mrs. Hockett, Mrs. Fischer and Mrs. Fenton.

The next meeting of the Irma WMS will be held at the home of Mrs. M. T. Knudson on Wed. Feb. 20. This will be an afternoon meeting.

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Friday, February 15

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A Fine Record

PUBLIC HEALTH has always been of interest and importance to the people of Canada and great strides have been made through the years in improving standards of health and reducing mortality rates. Figures issued for 1951 in respect to the health of the Canadian people show that a new record was set. The death rate from all causes in 1951 was given as 8.8 per 1,000 population, which was one per cent. lower than the figure for 1950. Notable progress was also made in reducing the death rate for tuberculosis, which is now under 26 per 100,000 for the first time.

Accident Toll Is Increased

It is encouraging to note the steady decline in the death rate from tuberculosis in Canada at this time. In the past five years it has been cut by almost fifty per cent, having dropped to its present figure from 30.2 per 100,000, which was the rate in 1946. It is regrettable to see that the number of deaths due to accidents rose in the past year, and that it is expected that the toll of highway deaths in Canada in 1951 will be the highest ever recorded. When progress is being made in reducing the overall mortality rate, it would seem that greater attention should be given to safety on the highways and to the prevention of accidents generally in the months to come.

Progress Is Being Made

A minimum of unemployment and higher living standards, together with the extension of hospital and medical services are responsible for the decline in the death rate. These same factors have no doubt also been responsible for a reduction in the infant mortality rate in Canada which has, for the first time, dropped below the previous record of 40 per 1,000 live births. Prosperity, on the other hand, has made it possible for more people to own cars and led to the increase in traffic in the cities and on highways throughout the country. In spite of the rise in traffic fatalities it is encouraging to know that steady progress is being made in decreasing the death rate and in raising standards of health in Canada.

Sets New Record For Barrel Jumping

GROSSINGER, N.Y.—Defending champion Terry Brown of Detroit retained his world barrel-jumping championship with a record leap of 28 feet three inches. He bettered his own record, set last year at 27 feet 10 1/2 inches. In the Canadian championships, held concurrently at a meet sponsored by the National winter sports association, Maurice Daoust of Montreal, former Dominion champion, won with a jump of 22 feet nine inches. Defending champion Guy LaRoche was second with a leap of 21 feet six inches.

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HONORARY DEGREE—The university of Montreal will confer an honorary degree on Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Governor-General of Canada at the university on Feb. 25, Msgr. Olivier Maurault, rector, announced recently. Complete plans for the ceremony will be made public later.

Fears Wide Spoilage Of Damp Grain

SASKATOON—Commissioner Jack Vallance of the board of grain commissioners says he is convinced that much of the damp grain from last year's crop will spoil in the spring. He said in a panel discussion on grain drying that the problem is too big for the farmers, the province or the federal authorities.

The only grain moving to the lakehead now was damp grain and some of it contained as much as 25 per cent. moisture. The lakehead driers have to reduce this to 14.5 per cent. Grain grain drying requiring a technique that the farmer for the most part lacks. The commissioner said he could not set no store by the commercial grain driers on the market. It was up to the individual farmer to do whatever he could to dry his own grain before spring.

Edmonton To See Women's Golf Championship

EDMONTON—The 1952 Canadian Women's golf championships will begin at the Mayfair Golf and Country club Edmonton, Aug. 7. Dates for the various events were announced by the Edmonton executives of the Canadian Ladies Golf union. The Canadian closed tournament will be held Aug. 7-8 and the open Aug. 11-16. The interprovincial team matches will be played Aug. 7 and 8.

Funny and Otherwise

Mabel: "I told him not to let me catch him with any of the other seven."

He was an enthusiastic but unsuccessful dancer, and a really clever dancer had the misfortune to have him for a partner.

"I WHEN I was in your shoes," he said, "I was the one who was being danced around the ballroom with the girl."

"Perhaps so," she retorted, icily. "But do stop trying to get into them now."

He: "I get down on my knees and die for you."

She: "Would you stand on your feet and work for me?"

Scarcely had the expert taken his departure, after a successful first lesson, when a loud double knock was heard at the front door.

"Who was that, Mary?" the woman inquired of her maid.

"Oh, if you please, ma'am," said Mary, "it was the memory man; he forgot his umbrella."

"And do you really mean to say that I am the first girl you've ever kissed?"

"Yes, darling, any skill I may have is inherited."

The collegian wasn't so far out when he answered a question on his examination paper by saying: "Hockey is a fall game."

Dollar sign: A capital S that has been double-crossed.

He: "You think more of your dog than you do of me?"

She: "Well, the dog grows less."

Mabel: "Jack told me I was the eighth wonder of the world."

Eleanor: "And what did you say?"

Then there was the fellow who, when asked if he was going to turn over a new leaf on New Year's said: "I wouldn't be any use. I can't read."

Walter: "How did you guess we had a new dish-washer, sir?"

Diner: "The fingerprints on the plates are different."

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada

Industrial Development and Freer Trade can be Achieved Together Says President

Suggests long range programme to speed process and bring prices closer to U.S. levels. Sees danger in large budget surplus... "Reward saving, penalize spending."

Need for a free and flexible economy to meet the challenge of inflation and foster the long range development of Canada, was the keynote of the annual meeting of the Royal Bank of Canada, which opened last night at the Hotel Vancouver. President, at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada, which opened last night at the Hotel Vancouver. President, at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada, which opened last night at the Hotel Vancouver.

"By itself," said Mr. Muir, "this unplanned surplus is neither an effective check to inflation nor a reason for complacency and self-congratulation. The danger here is that the Government debt held by the Bank of Canada."

"The ability of our economy to sustain the shock adjustment to the economic needs of the defence programme depends in large measure upon the flexibility of the money market. It is in this area that we must see the whole increase in price not as a tax, but as a rise in the cost of living, and a reason for demanding higher wages for his work or a higher price for his product."

Further aggravation is that provincial and municipal sales taxes, levied on the retail price, add to the cost of living. This is bad in principle, and, as we have seen, it lacks even the excuse of expediency. In the light of inflation the federal tax is ineffective because concealed. It is unfortunate that in 1951 this step at spending had to be administered with an anaesthetic.

Canadians to buy home-manufactured goods merely reintroduces some of the inflexibility we have been trying to avoid. Whatever one may think of protection as a means to economic development, it is true that our position next to the United States makes a serious case for protection. The alternative, competition with U.S. industries enjoying the low cost of large-scale production, seems at first glance at least in the opinion of many to rule out a diversified industrial economy for Canada.

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"At this point I wish to make it clear that the remarks I am about to make I take no position in the political controversy so long associated with our tariff policy. What I shall try to do is to discuss the economic problems involved."

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HEAVIER TAXES NOT EFFECTIVE AS SPENDING CURB

The real test of tax policy to combat inflation is whether or not that policy is accompanied by savings. With this in mind one must recognize that a whole multitude of the spending public are not even touched by the more drastic of the additional imposts. In contrast, a large segment of the wage and salary group has been hit and hit again. That is, of course, unfortunate in itself, on grounds of social equity. But the real question is, "How much of the increase in taxes on this group in the last half of 1951 came out of savings?" The more that came out of savings, the less the effect on inflationary pressure.

Corporate taxes, even harder hit in the 1951 budget. But again the real question is not, "Is this fair?" but "Did the more corporate taxes penalize spending and reward saving?" To this question, the answer is simply, "No." Human nature being what it is, heavy corporate taxes tend to increase spending by corporations because the Government is paying a correspondingly large part of the shot.

The increase in federal excise and sales taxes is unpleasant, but these taxes do hit the spender where it hurts. Unfortunately he does not know what is hitting him. Why? Because the taxes are levied at the manufacturing level, passed on to the consumer at various points from there on, and finally concealed in the retail price. The consumer is therefore inefficient; for it takes out of the consumer's pocket much more than it yields to the Government in revenue.

But, worse still, the purchaser sees the whole increase in price not as a tax, but as a rise in the cost of living, and a reason for demanding higher wages for his work or a higher price for his product.

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"The need for adjustment would not be so great in the long run if we were content (which we must not be) to continue as a producer of primary products for final manufacture elsewhere. On the other hand, the use of the tariff or other device to force

General Manager Reports Assets Over \$2.5 Billions

T. H. Atkinson, General Manager, in reviewing the bank's 1951 report, said that total assets of the Royal Bank of Canada had now reached the imposing total of \$2,516,645,208. This, he said, was a new high mark in Canadian banking history and a figure which would undoubtedly be noted throughout the financial world. Deposits likewise had reached record totals, said Mr. Atkinson. "Apart from government balances which, as previously mentioned, are lower by some \$100,000,000, the total of deposits has increased 18,805,000, to \$1,323,720,000 and non-interest bearing deposits up \$39,684,000 and now stand at \$1,085,717,000. The balances in both categories constitute new records. We are particularly pleased that the number of deposit accounts on the books of the bank increased over 100,000 during the year, to 2,109,000.

Mr. Atkinson reported profits for the year had increased \$1,137,926 although the bank had gone through a year of increased expenses, more than counterbalanced by increased taxes. After providing for taxes, depreciation and dividends, including the \$2 million dividend of \$700,000 (at the rate of 20c per share) the bank transferred two million dollars to the Reserve Fund and carried forward \$1,026,153.

The bank's programme of improvement to branches, which had gone steadily since the end of the war, continued during the year to provide the public and staff with modern, up-to-date facilities and surroundings. Branches in operation on November 30th totalled 761, of which 82 were located in countries outside of Canada.

ROYAL BANK'S UNIQUE SERVICE

Mr. Atkinson noted that Canada is today one of the foremost trading nations of the world and he paid a tribute to the Government departments responsible for developing new markets for Canadian products. Without world-wide banking facilities, however, Canadian traders would be seriously handicapped, he said. The Royal Bank of Canada was in a unique position to provide such service to Canadian exporters in the Caribbean area, Central and South America, and its direct representation in London, England, New York and Paris.

"We have, of course, world-wide relations with correspondent banks in all countries, and we have many branches and from these sources obtain information and reports on conditions and commercial regulations which are of inestimable value to our trading clients," said Mr. Atkinson. "But beyond this, we have a reputation abroad and wide experience in foreign fields, we are firmly convinced that we can really achieve a unique position in the organization itself. Experience with trading customs and intimate knowledge of local practice in the many countries where we operate, coupled with the close liaison with our correspondent banks, and our representatives abroad, both direct and indirect, and our Head Office Foreign Department, place us in a position which enables our bank to provide facilities for clients and others directly interested in international trade which otherwise would not be available."

PRaise FOR STAFF

"It is always a pleasure to conclude a year with an enthusiastic tribute to the members of our staff. The success of any company or institution must of necessity be a direct reflection to the degree of efficiency of its personnel but this is particularly true of a bank where the things we sell are service and friendliness. The friendly approach is traditional with our staff and services beyond the call of duty is the rule rather than the exception. The staff of the bank numbers 12,400, in addition to which we employ approximately 1,200 people in other capacities, or a total of over 13,600. Their loyalty to and enthusiasm for the bank are most heartening to the Executive and it is proven daily by the reports we receive in Head Office from clients across the country. The gratifying report before you today is a logical outcome of this fine service and to the staff I wish to say a sincere "thanks" on behalf of the management as well as the shareholders. Whatever may be in store in the year just beginning, I am confident the staff will meet the situation with efficiency, loyalty and enthusiasm."

tribute to its development and progress. No one with faith in Canada's future will deny that, given time, all these difficulties of our economic development will be triumphantly overcome.

"If we Canadians will become fired with pride of country—become fully conscious of our tremendous material endowment, face our task with imagination, initiative and courage, and apply hard work; we can make the next few decades by far the greatest age yet in Canada's economic history."

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY

"INSPIRATION"

Jim's Wife Said, "How Darn You Tell Another Woman You Love Her, and Stand There and Grin About It."

MARY STARR finished putting the dishes away, took off her apron and went out to the porch where the bright tip of her husband's cigarette showed in the darkness.

"It gets dark earlier now, doesn't it," she remarked, without response. She tried again. "Anything interesting happen today?"

James threw his cigarette over the railing. "Oh, sure, I had a very interesting day," he mocked. "As usual I took the seven-thirty-five to town. I sold, or tried to sell, suits. I took the six-thirty home as I have for the last six years. I walked down the same street, past houses so much alike I have to count them to be sure I turn in the right one. I ate hash and bread pudding. Tomorrow night it will be stew or beans. Oh, yes, I had a very interesting day."

Mary listened in silence. Somewhere along the way they had lost the star that makes labor for loved ones a joy. But where?

"Perhaps if you started writing again you might 'sell' something," she ventured.

"Write," he snorted. "I'm so tired at night I don't have an idea in my head. I do the same thing day in and day out, world without end, amen, and, you think I can write. Write about what?"

He went into the house, slamming the door.

Tears stole down Mary's cheeks. She had failed. All her high hopes

By MAUDE NORMAN

of being an inspiration to a promising young author were gone. Two babies demanded a lot of care. James had to work he despised to provide for them.

"Perhaps he does still love me," she thought. "But he is used to me. He needs something exciting to happen. Something to stir him up. He needs romance and I'm about as romantic as an old shoe. I can't give him romance—or can I?"

James came to the door. "Come on in," he said gruffly. "I'm sorry for what I said. It's hard on you, too, having a failure for a husband."

The next morning Mary raced through her work, washed and dressed the baby, settled three-year-old Shirley in the sand-box to play, then got out the typewriter.

Two days later James received a letter. A delicately scented missive that Mary handed to him without a word.

"Dear Mr. Starr," the letter began. "About seven years ago I was confronted with a serious problem that of yours, 'Stella's Solution,' helped me to solve. I should have written and thanked you then, only that I knew how men in your position are deluged with letters. I suppose you wonder why I am writing now, but in looking over some old magazines I found a poem of yours, entitled 'Spring.' It made such an impression on me that I am obeying an impulse. With your insight and understanding you must have helped hundreds as you have helped me. I write for myself and for them. Sincerely, Justine Owe."

James did not show the letter to Mary and she asked no questions. No more letters came to the house, although she knew he had answered. He began writing every evening, re-writing previous efforts. Mary rejoiced at the change in him. Until one day, going through the pockets of a suit she was sending to the cleaners, she found a note.

"Darling! There, I have said it! I love you. Does that seem strange? But why should it? Your letters, carefully worded as they are, tell me you love me too. Name a place where I can meet you. Your post office address makes you seem so far away. You mentioned responsibilities. In all this world there are only two things that matter. You, and the fact that I will love you forever. You are my inspiration. Hopefully, James."

James found Mary unusually silent that evening. Although he tried to interest her in the day's happenings, she busied herself feeding the children and barely answered him. After the children were in bed, he waylaid her.

"I sold another story," he said. "Looks like I can write."

"That's nice," she answered briefly. "Aren't you glad?"

Mary handed him the note. "I wasn't sleeping," she said. "I found this when I sent your suit out."

James took the note. "I was hoping you would find it pretty soon," he grinned.

"How dare you tell another woman you love her, and stand there and grin about it!" She burst into tears. "I meant every word I wrote," he kissed her gently. "You really are my inspiration."

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Warn Householders Of "Modernize Your Home" Racket

PRINCE ALBERT.—A new angle on the "modernize your home" scheme came to light at a meeting of the Prince Albert City Council. An electrical contractor is apparently visiting the outlying houses of the city and persuading the residents to have their homes wired for electrical power.

Unfortunately the contractor is not, at the same time, advising the householder to find out from the power corporation whether power can be brought to the homes.

Two complaints before the council regarding the cost of constructing power lines to outlying homes, brought the racket to light. The complaints were answered satisfactorily, and the power and light committee agreed to approach the corporation for some reduction in the cost. But other local residents were advised to check with the authorities before incurring needless expense.

Never Too Old

WINNIPEG.—Seems they're never too old to get into this Leap Year business.

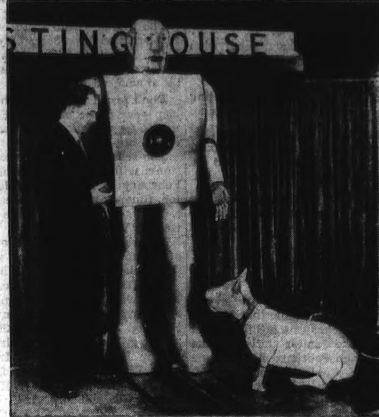
Mary Jackson Taylor, 78, and Henry Charles Reynolds, 74, were married here recently. The blushing bride timidly admitted that she had "popped the question."

Both have been married before.

Do You Know That...

The average weight of a man's brain is 48 ounces, and that of a woman is 43. This, of course, is no indication that the male species are smarter than the female.

Accomplished Pair



The latest and most accomplished of several robots built by Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Elektro, and his dog, Sparko, arrived in Montreal recently. Elektro's accomplishments include walking, talking, smoking and counting up to 10 on his fingers. He says "red" and "green" when those colors are placed before his eyes. Not to be outdone by his master, Sparko also has his talents: he sits up, barks and wags his tail.

Western Briefs

Pioneer Dish

CALGARY.—A dish that tickled the palates of pioneers is on the menu in Alberta hotels for a few weeks. Buffalo roasts, steaks and stews come from animals killed in the recent winning-out of the buffalo herd at Elk Island National Park.

To Reduce Dental Decay

SASKATOON.—The Saskatoon City Health unanimously recommended fluorination of Saskatoon's water supply this year. Fluorination is considered by some dental experts as the best known means of reducing dental decay, particularly among children.

Troubled Conscience

WINNIPEG.—A man with a troubled conscience and a grim view of the future has sent the Canadian Pacific Railway \$100. Signing himself "Anonymous," he said the money is for some scrap copper and brass he took and sold many years ago. Reason for payment: "We are now in the last days of this world's history."

Dies From Fall From Crib

MEDICINE HAT.—Mr. and Mrs. William Turner awoke when they heard a thump on the floor. They got up and found that their only son, 2½-year-old Clark Robert, had broken his neck in a fall from his crib in the same room. The child was dead.

Delayed Model

GRANBROOK, B.C.—Thirty years after being pensioned for the second time from the British army, J. P.

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THE TILLERS



Saskatchewan Need Not Fear Another Depression

Dr. John Mitchell of University of Saskatchewan Says "We Have Seen The Worst That Weather Can Bring Us"

SASKATOON.—Dr. John Mitchell, head of the soils department of the University of Saskatchewan, said that Saskatchewan need not fear another depression of the kind which struck the province in the 1930's.

Dr. Mitchell spoke at the farm week convention here.

"We have seen the worst that weather can bring us, but we have also seen the best. We have worked great improvements in conserving moisture through good agricultural practices and in conserving soil, we have learned a lot about farming. Nothing should dismay us."

Dr. Mitchell said that in the last 50 years Saskatchewan had increased its acreage of cultivated land from 1,122,000 acres to 35,590,200 acres. He estimated that by the use of more efficient methods of farming the productivity of present cultivated land

could be increased by 50 per cent.

He named several other yardsticks of the great advances made in Saskatchewan during the first half of the century and pointed out that only in population had the province gone backwards.

Other factors in the Saskatchewan economy which would bring greater prosperity were the province's mineral resources, its great areas of forest and pasture land, its tourist attractions and the land itself.

Dr. Mitchell said "the land is going to be more and more important as time goes on, because the population of the world is going up. We will never be poor as long as we have that land."

Manitoba Butter Production Down

OTTAWA.—Manitoba's production of creamery butter was down one per cent in 1951 from 1950, according to Dominion Bureau of Statistics figures released.

Production for 1951 totalled 22,237,000 pounds, which was 99 per cent of the 1950 figure of 22,514,000 pounds. The province was fifth in the production of creamery butter, after Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Total Canadian production in 1951 was 99 per cent of 1950 production, down to 258,067,000 from 261,606,000.

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SEDGWICK FARMER LIBERAL CANDIDATE

An Alberta Liberal nomination convention at Strome Wednesday named James Hallum as the Liberal candidate for the riding. In the 1948 provincial election he was defeated.

Born in Scotland, Mr. Hallum came to Sedgewick in 1911 with his parents, was educated there and since has farmed in the district. He is a well-known breeder of Shorthorn cattle. He was a former Secretary of the Sedgewick Agricultural Society and is a prominent church and lodge worker.

Irma Men's Curling Club Draw

Monday, February 18	
Ice 1	Ice 2
7 p.m.—Riley vs High School	Smallwood vs Fenton
9 p.m.—Blanchard vs Milne	Younker vs Cairns
Tuesday, February 19	
7 p.m.—Torrance vs E. Jones	MacMillan vs Prosser
9 p.m.—Soneff vs McFarland	Brown vs Knudson
Wednesday, February 20	
7 p.m.—Ladies	Ladies
9 p.m.—Fischer vs McKay	Ladies
Thursday, February 21	
7 p.m.—Blanchard vs E. Jones	Torrance vs McFarland
9 p.m.—Smallwood vs Prosser	Soneff vs McKay
Friday, February 22	
7 p.m.—MacMillan vs Knudson	Younker vs Milne
9 p.m.—Riley vs Fenton	Cook vs High School
Saturday, February 23	
7 p.m.—Ladies	Brown vs Meier
9 p.m.—Ladies	Ladies
Monday, February 25	
7 p.m.—Cook vs Fenton	Fischer vs Cairns
9 p.m.—Younker vs E. Jones	Riley vs Prosser
Tuesday, February 26	
7 p.m.—MacMillan vs Meier	Smallwood vs Knudson
9 p.m.—Torrance vs McKay	Blanchard vs McFarland
Wednesday, February 27	
7 p.m.—Ladies	Ladies
9 p.m.—Fischer vs Milne	Ladies
Thursday, February 28	
7 p.m.—Soneff vs Cairns	Younker vs McFarland
9 p.m.—Brown vs High School	Cook vs Prosser
Friday, February 29	
7 p.m.—Riley vs Knudson	Blanchard vs McKay
9 p.m.—Smallwood vs Meier	Torrance vs Cairns
Saturday, March 1	
7 p.m.—Ladies	MacMillan vs High School
9 p.m.—Ladies	Ladies



WANT ADS

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Viking items

While the Viking seniors lost out to the Daysland team here last Saturday in the semi-playoffs in the Big Six hockey league, Viking fans are due to see some rattling good hockey teams here in action during the next few weeks.

Arrangements have been made to have the Edmonton City Telephone team here on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 8:30 p.m. Featured among this starry city aggregation of puck chasers is none other than Pug Young, former Edmonton Flyer defence ace, known for his robust style of play. We ain't saying it out loud but the Viking team has a husky defence man or two that might give the Pug a run for his laurels.

Fans, don't miss this game. It should be a sizzler. Coach Glasgow might have a surprise package or two in his line-up to give the city telephone "hello" boys the shivers.

The Cecil Runyon rink came home during the week-end from the Edmonton spiel with the Visitors Trophy that included four sets of matched rocks. They won thirteen out of fifteen games played which is good going in any man's league.

In the hockey play-off game at Daysland last Thursday evening, in a scramble behind the Viking goal, Laurie Rasmussen, goal tender, received a hard blow near his left eye from a stick. He received medical attention at the Daysland hospital. The Daysland sub goalie then took Laurie's place in the Viking net but he too suffered an injury, a strained back. Stan Ross then put on the pads. A shot from the blueline caught Stan on the forehead but he managed to finish off the game in goal. Final score, Daysland 9, Viking 6.

Divisional Board Meet February 1

Mr. F. Hill of Irma, subdivision took the required oath of office for trustee.

Minutes of the January meeting were read followed by discussion.

Moved by Mr. Zajic that Mr. Hissett's report on the Plaxtol school and sale of equipment be approved. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hissett that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted as read. Cd.

Mr. H. S. King met with the Divisional Board to request increased rates in bus mileage. No action taken.

Moved by Mr. Zajic that Mrs. E. Cooper, teacher of the Silgo school assume the janitor duties of the school from February 1 until June 30 of the present school year. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hissett that in view of the present plans for the Empire School, that of moving the Butzeville school to the site of Empire during the coming summer, that Mr. D. W. Farrell's offer for the Butzeville school be not accepted. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hill that the necessary arrangements be made with the Audio Visual Aids branch of the Dept. of Education for satisfactory insurance coverage on films used by the teachers throughout the Division. Cd.

Ribstone

All Board members visited the Ribstone Schools during the month of January. The general feeling was that a great deal could be done to improve the present set-up and that a new school was not immediately needed.

Moved by Mr. Hissett that the chairman, Dr. Folkins, and Mr. Hill act as delegates to an emergent meeting of the ASTA to be held early in March in Edmonton respecting possible changes in salary schedules throughout the province. Cd.

Battle Valley and Porlier Lake School Meetings

Moved by Dr. Folkins that reports of the above mentioned meetings be filled for future reference. Cd.

Moved by Mrs. McLeod that the Supt. Report be accepted and that Mrs. R. Sandulak be engaged as teacher for grade five in the Wainwright SD No. 1658 until June 30, 1952. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Hill that accounts be paid for the month of January in the amount of \$5,147.24 and that same be included in the minutes of this meeting. Cd.

Fullview SD

Moved by Mr. Hill that the Bd. is not in favor of taking over the administration of the Fullview SD as suggested in a letter from the Dept. of Education, and that the Dept. be advised immediately. Cd.

Moved by Mrs. McLeod that a list of the saleable articles now at the Divisional office from the Dormitory be advertised for sale in the local paper. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Zajic that the purchase of a new heater for the McCafferty School Van be approved in the amount of \$75.00. Cd.

Moved by Mrs. McLeod that we adjourn. Cd.

Next meeting of the Board Fri., March 7, 9 a.m.

Locals

The Junior Grain Club has begun practice for a 3 act play "Too Many Relations." This is a farce and we do mean farce. Date will be announced shortly.

Don't forget the Prairie Chickens leap year dance on Wed., Feb. 27 in Keifer's Hall. Lunch will be sold.

The school and all places of business will be closed here on Fri., February 15 which is the date set for funeral services for our beloved sovereign the late King George VI.

Messrs. Jack and Art Peterson of Edmonton, were recent visitors with relatives and friends here.

The Irma and District Board of Trade will hold its next meeting and banquet in the Grafton View Hotel on February 19 at 7:30 p.m. Among those from Irma who took in the Ice Cycles were Mr. and Mrs. W. Symington and family, Mr. and Mrs. Les Brady, Mrs. O. Sather, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Knudson, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Currie, Doreen Simmermon, Marjorie and Donnie Coulman.

Four Irma rinks skipped by Mrs. Sather, Mrs. M. Enger, Miss K. Younker and Mrs. C. Anquist will play in the Wainwright open spiel this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. McMillan with grandson Greg Maguire have been renewing old acquaintances here at Irma.

Mrs. O. Lovig and Mrs. H. Whidden attended the Ice Cycles last week.

The Irma Calf Club will meet in the Irma School at 2:30 p.m. on February 23.

This year the World's Day of Prayer service will be held at St. Mary's Anglican Church, Friday, February 29. All women of the village and district are most cordially invited to join us at this time.

Walter Enger, Norman Turner and John Schmidt, all of Edmonton, motored to Irma to spend last week-end at Walter's home here.

The LOBA are sponsoring a "hard times" dance in Keifer's hall on March 14. Music by the

The high school is holding a Battle River Kids

bonspiel on Saturday, Feb. 16. The Students Union of the Irma School is sponsoring an Ice Carnival March 5. Watch for further particulars.

D. A. Mathieson, R.O. 205 Birks Building, Edmonton, Alta., will be in Irma at the Hotel on Tuesday, a.m., February 19. For appointment see Mr. Frickleton.

Notice to Creditors And Claimants

In the matter of the Estate of Truels Andersen Lindberg, late of the District of Jarow, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the above named, Truels Andersen Lindberg, who died on or about the 28th day of October, 1951 are required to file with the undersigned by the 22nd day of March, 1952, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them and that after that date the executor will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or which have been brought to his knowledge.

Sigurd Lefsrud,
Splicitor for the Executor,
15-22c
Viking, Alberta.

An Apology

We wish to convey our apologies to our many friends and patrons who turned out for the Massey-Harris Show on the night of February 5th. There was a mistake on the part of the picture operators, they having got their dates mixed. However you will still have an opportunity to see this show in Irma probably during the last week in March. The exact date will be published later. We hope you will come again as we know you will enjoy this show.

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NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIONS

Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, 1952

Public Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 will be held at at I.O.O.F. HALL, WAINWRIGHT, at one o'clock p.m. on SATURDAY, the 16th day of FEBRUARY, 1952; for the discussion of the affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m. on the same day and at the same place nominations for the office of Councillor will be received. Three Councillors are to be elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following electoral divisions:

DIVISION 1 DIVISION 2 DIVISION 7

At the same place, time and date above mentioned, nominations for members of the Boards of the following Municipal Hospital Districts will be received. Members to be elected by Divisions.

Division A, B, C, of the Board of Wainwright Hospital District No. 17.

Division C of the Board of Irma Hospital District No. 55.

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